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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of Potter et al
Application Serial No. 09/866,919

Art Unit: 2841
Examiner: Mr. Miska

ELECTRONIC PARKING METER SYSTEM (as amended)

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Alexandria, Va. 22314
20 December 2004

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Hon. Director for Patents and Trademarks
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This amendment is in response to a first Office Action dated 18 June 2004 and is timely filed as it is accompanied by a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time extending the response period from 18 September to 20 December 2004 as 18 December 2004 was a Saturday and 20 December 2004 is the first business day thereafter.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT

Claims 25-63 were acted upon in the Office Action dated 18 June 2004. Claims 47, 48, 50-56 and 56-62 were only rejected under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112. The remaining claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103 based on various combinations of the prior art.

The subject matter of claims 47, 48, 50-56 and 58-62 have been retained as the rejection of these claims under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112 has been traversed and it is submitted that the subject matter of these claims is allowable, especially when considered in conjunction from the parent claims from which they depend.

Claims 65/25, 32, 36 and 46, which were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103, have been rewritten in independent format and the 103 rejection traversed.

Thus accompanying this amendment are: (1) a Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time; (2) a fee for additional independent claims.

In view of the amendments set forth herein it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance and its allowance is earnestly submitted.